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# MAINE GROUNDWATER ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2024 EDITION



MGWA Annual Meeting
Wednesday, February 7, 2024
At Maine Motor Transport Association
142 Whitten Road, Augusta

8:30AM Coffee & Donuts

9:00AM Tim Doyle will speak on the following:

- ◆Entry Level Driver Training
- ◆Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse II
- ♦MMTA Training Calendar
- ♦Q&A

11:00AM MGWA Annual & Directors Meeting

Please RSVP by February 2, 2024 to info@mainegroundwater.org or you can mail it to MGWA, PO Box 207, Gorham, ME 04038

Company I	Name:	#	<sup>‡</sup> Attendi	ng

#### Mark Your Calendars

MGWA Director's Meetings are being held Via Zoom. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. There are typically no director's meetings in June, July & August. Please check with the website, your email, or contact a director for more info.

**Annual Meeting:** February 7, 2024 Maine Motor Transport Association, 142 Whitten Road, Augusta. Info is above.

**Director's Meetings: TBD** 

MGWA 3rd Annual Golf Scramble and Lunch: September 2024, at Turner Highlands, 10 Highland Avenue, Turner, ME

#### **Well Driller's Commission Meetings:**

The Maine Water Well Commission meets monthly at 9:00 am every 2nd Wednesday. The venue of the meeting will be announced after each meeting. In-Person Meetings: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME. Virtual Meetings: info can be found at the commission website. For questions on Commission business call The Drinking Water Program at 207-287-2070 or visit the website at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/dwp/professionals/wellDrillers.shtml">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/dwp/professionals/wellDrillers.shtml</a>

NGWA Groundwater Week: Please let a director know if you would like to be a delegate. Las Vegas, Nevada December 10-12, 2024

New Orleans, Louisiana December 9-11, 2025

For more info please go to: <a href="https://groundwaterweek.com/">https://groundwaterweek.com/</a>

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# **MGWA Meeting Minutes**

Maine Ground Water Association Director's Meeting September 11, 2023 Via Zoom

The MGWA Director's Meeting was called to order by President Jesse Goodwin at 6:40 p.m. with the following Board Members attending, Scott Abbotts, Susan Smith, Noah Rolfe, Scott Hodgdon, Brian Streeter, Justin Lanphier, and Mitch Woodbury.

Minutes: A motion by Scott Abbotts and seconded by Brian Streeter to approve the May 15, 2023, Director's Meeting minutes was unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: A motion by Susan Smith and seconded by Justin Lanphier to approve the Treasure's Report was unanimously approved.

Old Business: None

New Business: Please remember that the MGWA Board of Directors are all volunteers. We are all working, and we take time out of our day to volunteer for this Association. Susan Smith got the List of Licensed Well Drillers and Pump Installers off The Maine Water Well Driller's Commission Website and combined it with the Maine Groundwater Association's mailing list for the August 2023 Newsletter. If you received multiple newsletters or got newsletters for employees that no longer work for you, please look at the Commission's Website at https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/dwp/professionals/wellDrillers.shtml and look

under the List of Licensed Well Drillers and Pump Installers to verify that they have names listed correctly. If you had an employee listed, as an apprentice, that no longer works for you, you must contact the Commission to have the name removed from their list

**Education Committee: None** 

Commission/Legislative Committee: (Frank Hegarty & Jesse Goodwin) None

NEWWA Directors: (Frank Hegarty & Scott Abbotts) There is a board meeting at the end of September.

Outing/Golfing Committee: (Jesse Goodwin, Rick Schrepper, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Abbotts, and Dan Crowley) MGWA 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Golf Tournament is September 14, at Turner Highlands. We have 76's golfers have signed up. We have more sponsors, and the sponsors gave more than last year. Prizes, raffles, and door prizes have been purchased. Dinner was added and the committee decided to cut back on lunch. Committee will need help with registration, setting up and taking down.

Membership Applications Committee: (Scott Abbotts, Frank Hegarty, Justin Lanphier, Scott Hodgdon and Noah Rolfe)

Nomination Committee: TBD

Next Meeting(s) are typically held on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom, November 20 Adjourn: A motion by Scott Hodgdon and seconded Susan Smith was unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Susan Smith, Secretary

Maine Ground Water Association Director's Meeting October 16, 2023 Via Zoom

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The MGWA Director's Meeting was called to order by President Justin Lanphier at 6:33 p.m. with the following attending, Scott Abbotts, Susan Smith, Noah Rolfe, Austin Beverage, Meaghan Knowlton, Mitch Woodbury, Randy Marquis, and Danny Crowley

Minutes: A motion by Scott Abbotts and seconded by Meaghan Knowlton to approve the September 11, 2023, Director's Meeting minutes was unanimously approved. The Golf Tournament made a profit of \$7600, and the NEWWA gave MGWA \$2000.

Treasurers Report: A motion by Susan Smith and seconded by Noah Rolfe to approve the Treasure's Report was unanimously approved.

Old Business: None

New Business: A motion by Susan Smith and seconded by Meaghan Knowlton to pay the Liability Insurance and Directors and Officers

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# **MGWA Meeting Minutes**

insurance when due was unanimously approved. Scott Abbotts is putting a list together for NGWA delegates.

Education/Spring Demo Committee: A discussion on having a Spring Demo. Mitch Woodbury will check with Chad Grignon. We'll need to find a place to drill a well, have a venue, and a meal.

Commission/Legislative Committee: (Frank Hegarty & Jesse Goodwin)

NEWWA Directors: (Frank Hegarty & Scott Abbotts)

Outing/Golfing Committee: (Rick Schrepper, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Abbotts, and Dan Crowley) MGWA 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Golf Tournament raised a profit of \$7600. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 2024.

Membership Applications Committee: (Scott Abbotts, Frank Hegarty, Justin Lanphier, Scott Hodgdon and Noah Rolfe)

Nomination Committee: TBD and a discussion on board members.

Next Meeting(s): Meetings are typically held on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom.

Adjourn: A motion by Scott Abbott and seconded Meaghan Knowlton was unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Susan Smith, Secretary

Maine Ground Water Association Director's Meeting November 20, 2023 Via Zoom

The MGWA Director's Meeting was called to order by President Jesse Goodwin at 6:36 p.m. with the following attending, Justin Lanphier, Susan Smith, Noah Rolfe, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Hodgdon, and Randy Marquis

Minutes: A motion by Mitch Woodbury and seconded by Justin Lanphier to approve the October 16, 2023, Director's Meeting minutes was unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Education/Spring Demo Committee: A discussion on ideas and having a spring demo. Mitch Woodbury sent an email to Nordic Drill to see if they would be willing to do a spring demo.

Commission/Legislative Committee: (Frank Hegarty & Jesse Goodwin)

NEWWA Directors: (Frank Hegarty & Scott Abbotts)

Outing/Golfing Committee: (Rick Schrepper, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Abbotts, and Dan Crowley) MGWA 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tourna-

ment has been scheduled for September 2024.

Membership Applications Committee: (Scott Abbotts, Frank Hegarty, Justin Lanphier, Scott Hodgdon and Noah Rolfe)

Nomination Committee: (Mitch Woodbury and Susan Smith) Committee will call expiring directors to see if they would like to remain on board and they will try to recruit more members.

Annual Meeting: Director's will hold a meeting on December 18, 2023, to plan an in person annual meeting.

Next Meeting(s): Meetings are typically held on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom. A director's meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2023, via Zoom.

Adjourn: A motion by Susan Smith and seconded Mitch Woodbury was unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Susan Smith, Secretary

Maine Ground Water Association Director's Meeting January 8, 2024 Via Zoom

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The MGWA Director's Meeting was called to order by Vice President Justin Lanphier at 6:37 p.m. with the following attending, Scott Abbotts, Meaghan Knowlton, Frank Hagerty, Austin Beverage, Susan Smith, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Hodgdon, Brain Streeter, and Randy Marquis

Minutes: A motion by Mitch Woodbury and seconded by Scott Hodgdon to approve the November 20, 2023, Director's Meeting minutes was unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: A motion by Susan Smith and seconded by Meaghan Knowlton to approve the treasurers' report was unanimously approved.

Old Business: None

New Business: Scott Abbotts, Susan Smith, and Patrick Smith attended the NGWA delegates meeting in Las Vegas in December.

Education/Spring Demo Committee: Discussion on what to do for a spring demo. Mitch, Frank, and Scott Abbotts are working on a few ideas.

Commission/Legislative Committee: (Frank Hegarty & Jesse Goodwin) Commission is reviewing rules. Frank reported that there may be an issue with commission board members being on a trade board.

NEWWA Directors: (Frank Hegarty & Scott Abbotts) There was a meeting and Frank and Scott didn't attend.

Outing/Golfing Committee: (Rick Schrepper, Mitch Woodbury, Scott Abbotts, and Dan Crowley) MGWA 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament has been scheduled for September 2024.

Membership Applications Committee: (Scott Abbotts, Frank Hegarty, Justin Lanphier, Scott Hodgdon and Noah Rolfe)

Nomination Committee: (Mitch Woodbury and Susan Smith) Committee is working on getting directors. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Annual Meeting: Is scheduled at MMTA with Tim Doyle for February 7, 2024. Tim will do a Q&A. We will hold our Annual and Directors Meeting after Tim speaks.

Next Meeting(s): Meetings are typically held on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom.

Adjourn: A motion by Scott Abbotts and seconded Meaghan Knowlton was unanimously approved to adjourn at 7:31 p.m.

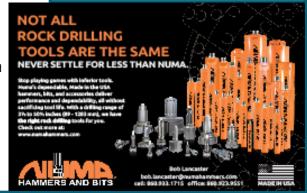
Minutes prepared by: Susan Smith, Secretary

# Election of board of directors

The nomination committee has the following nominations;

President Jesse Goodwin
Vice President Justin Lanphie r
Treasurer Scott Abbotts
Secretary Susan Smith
Three-Two Year Directors
Frank Hegarty
Noah Rolfe
Chad Gringon

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.







#### MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION Wednesday, Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review: June 14, 2023

Meeting - HYBRID (In-Person/Zoom) 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME ATTENDEES: Commission Members: Dwight Doughty, (Chair) Hydrogeologist, DOT Alex Pugh, Hydrogeologist, DWP

Ryan Gordon Hydrogeologist, MGS Mike Otley Public Member Frank Hegarty Master Well Driller Guests: Margaret Machaiek AAG

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:11 am

Review of Meeting Minutes: May 10, 2023 / May 30,

Motion to accept the minutes from Wednesday, May 10, 2023, Monthly Meeting

MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE:

Motion to accept the minutes from Tuesday, May 30, 2023, Emergency Meeting

MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

Exam Applications:

1. EARL SEVERANCE III\_WD02281, \*(effective date: 9-10-2019) – PI-J - APPROVED

Motion to approve the exam candidate. □ MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE:

Unanimous

1. NONÉ

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval: 1. HALLÉE-PHILBRICK SWA 5-16-23

2. JOHNSTON-WESTERN\_SWA\_5-11-23 3. LOGAN & BRALEY-WESTERN SWA 5-30-23 4 SMITH-GOODWIN SWA 5-16-23

5. WRIGGINS-GARY GOULD SWA 6-8-23

Other Business:

 EXAMS: <u>Tuesday, July 11, 2023 @ 10am</u> at Key Bank Building, downtown Augusta

a. Eligible candidates will be notified by email

\*EXECUTIVE SESSION:

☐ Motion to enter executive session for the purpose of consulting with the Commission's attorney concerning settlement of contemplated litigation and the legal rights and duties of the Commission with respect to the A-Z - Jones/Hinton complaint pursuant o Title 1, section 405, subsection 6, paragraph E.

MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

Entered Executive Session: 9:19 am Exited Executive Session: 9:48 am

After leaving Executive Session:

Motion to accept the redistribution of points and required three classes.

☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: 4 yea / 1 recused o Frank Hegarty - recused

**NEW COMPLAINTS:** 

ANONYMOUS - AFFORDABLE WELL DRILLING INC - complaint, rcvd 6-6-23 - NEW

6-14-23, complaint accepted, send notification letter to Affordable WD

Motion to accept the Anonymous-Affordable com-

. ☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

ANONYMOUS - HALE WELL DRILLING LLC complaint, rcvd 5-12-23 - NEW

- 6-14-23, complaint accepted, send notification letter to Hale WD Motion to accept the Anonymous -Hale complaint

☐ MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

**OPEN COMPLAINTS:** 

TUFTS (1) - A-Z WATER SYSTEMS - complaint, rcvd 9-13-22 - OPEN (9-14-22)

- 5-10-23, Motion made to assess violations, points, and fines for A-Z Water Systems Inc. o Alex Pugh/Ryan Gordon - 6 yea/1 recused \* (Frank Hegarty)

\*Violations Assessed:

- 400.2.1 (1 pt.), Wells intended to serve Public Water Supplies, as defined in Chapter 1 of these rules, must be approved in writing by the Department of Health and Human Services prior to being drilled and shall be constructed with a setback

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Rick Schrepper, and Dan Crowley
for organizing the Golf Scramble



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from disposal fields or other potential sources of contamination as required by the Department of Health and Human Services, Drinking Water Pro-

- 400.1.3 (1 pt.), The minimum setbacks provided for in this Chapter cannot be reduced for gravel wells without a specialty well application as provided for in Section 400.7 having been approved by the Commission prior to drilling.

- 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent - 6-14-23.

Motion to table complaint until next meeting July

□ MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE Unanimous

#### TUFTS (2) - LEVESQUE WELL DRILLING - complaint rcvd 2-21-23 - OPEN (3-8-23)

- 5-10-23, Motion made to assess violations, points, and fines for Affordable Well Drilling Inc. o Mike Otley/Glenn Dyer – 6 yea/1 recused \* (Frank Hegarty)

\*Violations Assessed: - 400.2.1 (1 pt.), Wells intended to serve Public Water Supplies, as defined in Chapter 1 of these rules, must be approved in writing by the Department of Health and Human Services prior to being drilled and shall be constructed with a setback from disposal fields or other potential sources of contamination as required by the Department of Health and Human Services, Drinking Water Program.

- 400.1.3 (1 pt.), The minimum setbacks provided for in this Chapter cannot be reduced for gravel wells without a specialty well application as provided for in Section 400.7 having been approved by the Commission prior to drilling.

- 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent
- 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023
- □ <u>MOTĬON</u>: Frank Hegarty <u>2nd</u>: Mike Otley <u>VOTE</u>

#### \*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD - complaint, rcvd 11-01-21 - OPEN\*\*

- o Motion to table issues until all 4 quarterly samples are taken. \*(2022-2023, Spring/Fall) Hegarty/ . Locke – Unanimòus
- o Motion to turn over alleged SWA forgery issue to Margaret Machaiek, AAG office Dyer/Goodwin
- o Motion to table complaint until next meeting (6-8-22). Otley/Dyer - Unanimous
- b. 6-8-22,
- o Water well was difficult to assess, decided to have Carmel WD take periodic samples, over the course of 1-2 years o Waiting upon sampling compliance, Spring/Fall 2022, (June 20, 2022)
- o Karl Rudnicki is appealing the MWWC decision; issue is tabled until compliance is met
- c. 9-13-22, \*Follow-up Conducted: Karl Rudnicki and Alex Pugh; continuous
- d. 2-14-23, received lab report for Carmel Well
- Drilling from Clear Water Lab o Waiting for Spring 2023, for next lab report(s)
- e. 5-10-23, Alex Pugh, to do follow-up with Carmel Well Drilling for Spring sampling, o no response to emails or letters.
- f. 6-14-23, \*Follow-up; Dwight Doughty to contact Carmel Well Drilling.

Motion to table complaint until next meeting July

MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

FAIR HEARINGS: \*\* (Fair Hearings: pending settlement, meeting(s) dates, times, and place.)

#### HINTON- (1)AFFORDABLE & (2)A-Z WATER complaint, rcvd 11-03-21 - OPEN

a. 4-13-22. Violations assessed for A-Z Water Systems and Affordable Well Drilling b. 5-5-22, Violation Letters sent to A-Z and Afford-

c. 5-11-22, A-Z Appeal Response letter d. 5-23-22, Affordable Appeal Response letter e. 6-8-22, Pending Fair Hearing scheduling (date

and time), (MOU, FHRF) f. 10-19-22, Hinton - A-Z, Settlement Proposal received - pending approval

## JONES- A-Z WATER - complaint, rcvd 10-19-21 -

a. 6-8-22, Violations assessed for A-Z Water Sys-

b. 7-1-22, Violation letter sent to A-Z c. 7-12-22, A-Z Appeal Response, received d. 7-13-22, Fair Hearing to be scheduled after paperwork submitted, (MOU, FHRF) e. 10-19-22, Jones - A-Z, Settlement Proposal received - pending approval

\*\*NEXT MEETING\*\* MONTHLY MEETING: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 9am – (In-Person/ Zoom) Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ADJOURNMENT: TIME: 11:02 am Motion to Adjourn.  $\square$  MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

#### **MINUTES** MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Meeting – HYBRID (In-Person/Zoom) 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES: Commission Members: Dwight Doughty, (Chair) Hydrogeologist, DOT

Alex Pugh, Hydrogeologist, DWP Ryan Gordon Hydrogeologist, MGS Jesse Goodwin Master Well Driller

Mike Otley Public Member Frank Hegarty Master Well Driller

Guests: Margaret Machaiek AAG

Hale Well Drilling

Doug Haskell Luke Pomerleau

Joe Riitano Affordable Well Drilling

James Bisson

Steven Bisson

Unanimous

Heather Pelkev

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:03 am Review of Meeting Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes from Wednesday. June 14, 2023, Monthly Meeting ☐ <u>MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd</u>: Alex Pugh <u>VOTE</u>:

Exam Applications: 1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review: 1. BUSWELL-LORD\_SWA\_7-6-23

Motion to approve with 120-feet of casing and install as presented on SWA. TION: Mike Otley 2nd: Jesse Goodwin VOTE: Unanimous

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval: 1. SEBAGÓ CAMPS LLC-WESTERN SWÁ 6-21-23 2. WIGHTMAN-GOODWIN SWA 6-14-23 3. WORTHLEY-BURNS\_SWA\_6-22-23 WHITTEMORE-GOODWIN\_SWA\_6-29-23

Other Business: EXAMS: <u>Tuesday, August 8, 2023 @ 10am</u> at Key 1. Bank Building, downtown Augusta Eligible candidates will be notified by email

OPEN COMPLAINTS:

#### ANONYMOUS - AFFORDABLE WELL DRILLING

INC - complaint, rcvd 6-6-23 - CLOSED 6-14-23, Motion to accept complaint o Mike Otley/ Frank Hegarty – Unanimous 6-16-23, Notification Letter, sent to Affordable WD / James Éisson

23, With evidence presented the Commission determined that it was best to close the complaint. Motion to dismiss complaint.

MOTION: Jesse Goodwin 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

#### <u> ANONYMOUS – HALE WELL DRILLING LLC –</u> complaint, rcvd 5-12-23 – CLOSED

6-14-23, Motion to accept complaint o Mike Otley/Frank Hegarty – Unanimous · 6-16-23, Notification Letter, sent to Hale WD / Douglas Haskell

- 7-12-23, With evidence presented the Commission determined that it was best to close the complaint. Motion to dismiss complaint. TION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unani-

#### DWP (Tufts) - A-Z WATER SYSTEMS – complaint, rcvd 9-13-22 - OPEN (9-14-22)

5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and associated fines for A-Z Water Systems Inc. o Alex Pugh/Ryan Gordon – 6 yea/1 recused \* (Frank Hegarty)

6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent to A-Z Water

- 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting (7-12-23) o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley – Unanimous

· 6-29-23, Response Email, A-Z Water Systems – appealing decision

- 7-12-23, In the future, complaint headings of a program/business title and contact representative in parentheses. \*(copies of response letters available at the next meeting)

DWP (Tufts) (2) - LEVESQUE WELL DRILLING complaint rcvd 2-21-23 – OPEN (3-8-23)

5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and associated fines for Affordable Well Drilling Inc. Mike Otley/Glenn Dyer – 6 yea/1 recused \*(Frank Hegarty)

· 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent to Levesque WD 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting (7-12-23)

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley – Unanimous 6-21-23, Response Letter, Levesque Well Drilling – fines paid. \$1000.00.

7-12-23, In the future, complaint headings of a program/business title and contact representative in

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parentheses. \*(copies of response letters available at the next meeting)

#### \*\*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD - complaint, rcvd 11-09-21 - OPEN\*

- 11-10-21, complaint accepted

06-14-23, \*Follow-up; Dwight Doughty to contact

Carmel Well Drilling.

- 06-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous - 7-12-23,

Motion to 1) get spring sample, 2) void or deny SWA, 3) send letter: in violation of agreement and violation points will be discussed at next meeting. MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

- 7-14-23, Lab Report, received by FAX, (collected, 6-20-23)

- 7-17-23, email received from Alex Pugh, "Dwight asked me to forward this. I had drafted a letter to Karl Rudnicki, but this analysis arriving means that we can limp along with the water sampling/lab analvses"

#### \*\*NEXT MEETINGS\*\*

FAIR HEARINGS: \*\* (Fair Hearings: pending settlement, meeting(s) dates, times, and place.)

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- d. 5-23-22, Affordable Appeal Response letter e. 6-8-22, Pending Fair Hearing scheduling (date and time), (MOU, FHRF)
- 10-19-22, Hinton A-Z, Settlement Proposal received - pending approval

JONES- A-Z WATER - complaint, rcvd 10-19-21 -**OPEN** 

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b. 7-1-22, Violation letter sent to A-Z

c. 7-12-22, A-Z Appeal Response, received d. 7-13-22, Fair Hearing to be scheduled after pa-

perwork submitted, (MOU, FHRF) e. 10-19-22, Jones - A-Z, Settlement Proposal re-

ceived - pending approval

#### MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 9am - (In-Person/ Zoom) Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

Motion to Adjourn.

□ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT: TIME: 10:12 am

#### **MINUTES** MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION Wednesday, August 9, 2023

Meeting - HYBRID (In-Person/Zoom) 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME ATTENDEES: Commission Members: Dwight Doughty, (Chair) Hydrogeologist, DOT Alex Pugh, Hydrogeologist, DWP

Ryan Gordon Hydrogeologist, MGS Mike Otley Public Member Frank Hegarty Master Well Driller (ZOOM) Guests:

Margaret Machaiek AAG Minutes Prepared By: Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:09 am Review of Meeting Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes from Wednesday, June 14, 2023, Monthly Meeting

☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

Exam Applications: 1. JACK TOBIN\_WD02257 -WD-J - APPROVED

Specialty Well Applications - Commission Review: 1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications - In-House Approval: 1. BUSWELL-LORD SWA

2. SEAN M SULLIVAN & BRIAN T SULLIVAN-GOODWIN SWA

3. MACDONALD-MARQUIS W&P LLC SWA

4. RE-ISSUE: PAYSON-RUDNICKI SWA

#### Other Business:

1. EXAMS: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 @ 10am at Key Bank Building, downtown Augusta

a. Eligible candidates will be notified by email

2. VOTE: Activity - Meeting Conflict in September a. MWWC September meeting date changed: Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 9 am

#### **OPEN COMPLAINTS:**

#### DWP (Tufts) - A-Z WATER SYSTEMS - complaint, rcvd 9-13-22 – OPEN (9-14-22) 5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and

associated fines for A-Z Water Systems Inc. o Alex Pugh/Ryan Gordon - 6 yea/1 recused \* (Frank Hegarty)

- 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent - 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley – Unanimous

- 6-29-23, Response Email, A-Z Water Systems appealing decision

- 7-12-23, Future headings for complaints use program/business title and contact representative in parentheses. \*(copies of response letters available at the next meeting)

- 8-9-23, A-Z Water System will be appealing the complaint

#### DWP (Tufts) (2) - LEVESQUE WELL DRILLING complaint rcvd 2-21-23 – CLOSED (8-9-23) 5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and

associated fines for Affordable Well Drilling Inc. o Mike Otley/Glenn Dyer - 6 yea/1 recused \*

(Frank Hegarty) - 6-7-23, Notice of Violations, sent

- 6-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023 o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley – Unanimous

- 6-21-23, Response Letter, Levesque Well Drilling - fines paid, \$1000.00.

- 7-12-23, Future headings for complaints use program/business title and contact representative in parentheses. \*(copies of response letters available at the next meeting)

- 8-9-23 - fines paid; complaint CLOSED

\*\*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD - complaint, rcvd 11-09-21 - OPEN\*\*

- 11-10-21, complaint accepted

- 06-14-23, \*Follow-up; Dwight Doughty to contact Carmel Well Drilling.

- 06-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous

Motion to 1) get spring sample, 2) void or deny SWA, 3) send letter: in violation of agreement and violation points will be discussed at next meeting. MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: **Unanimous** 

RECEIVED: after meeting - 7-14-23, Lab Report, received by FAX, (collected, 6-20-23)

- 7-17-23, email received from Alex Pugh - no letter sent to Carl Rudnicki and Carmel WD - 8-9-23, Alex Pugh - will contact Carl Rudnicki in September about the remaining lab to be taken for September 2023

\*\*NEXT MEETINGS\*\* FAIR HEARINGS:

#### HINTON- (1)AFFORDABLE & (2)A-Z WATER complaint, rcvd 11-03-21 - OPEN

a. 4-13-22, Violations assessed for A-Z Water Systems and Affordable Well Drilling

b. 5-5-22, Violation Letters sent to A-Z and Afford-

c. 5-11-22, A-Z Appeal Response letter d. 5-23-22, Affordable Appeal Response letter e. 6-8-22, Pending Fair Hearing scheduling (date and time), (MOU, FHRF)

f. 10-19-22, Hinton - A-Z, Settlement Proposal received - pending approval

#### JONES- A-Z WATER - complaint, rcvd 10-19-21 -**OPEN**

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received - pending approval

#### 8-9-23 - MWWC Meeting

e. 7-28-23, Response Letter, Hinton/Jones - A-Z Water Systems

- paid \$3000 fines

- required 3 online classes through NGWA Learning Center and complete by 9-17-23

#### MONTHLY MEETING:

Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 9am - (In-Person/Zoom)

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ADJOURNMENT: TIME: 9:35 am Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE: Unanimous

#### **MINUTES** MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION Tuesday, August 15, 2023

**Emergency Meeting - via ZOOM** 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES: Commission Members:

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Dwight Doughty, (Chair) Hydrogeologist, DOT Alex Pugh Hydrogeologist, DWP Ryan Gordon Hydrogeologist, MGS Mike Otley Public Member Frank Hegarty Master Well Driller Guests Tammy Steuber DHHS, counsel Margaret Machaiek AAG, counsel Minutes Prepared By: Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 12:22 PM

Motion to discuss potential settlements MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Mike Otley Vote: 4 yea / 1 recused \*Frank Hegarty: recused from vote

12:26:00 - Entered: Executive Session (not recorded)

12:53:00 - Exited: Executive Session (recording resumed)

- 8-15-23, Commission in agreement to let appeal process continue and come to its conclusion

#### \*\*NEXT MEETING\*\*

Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 9:00 am -MWWC MEETING - In-Person/Zoom \*Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME

Motion to adjourn:

☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh Vote: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT: TIME: 12:58 AM

#### **MINUTES** MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION Wednesday, October 11, 2023

#### Meeting - HYBRID (In-Person/Zoom) 18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME

ATTENDEES: Commission Members: Dwight Doughty, (Chair) Hydrogeologist, DOT Alex Pugh, Hydrogeologist, DWP Ryan Gordon Hydrogeologist, MGS Mike Otley Public Member Frank Hegarty Master Well Driller (ZOOM) Ğuests: Margaret Machaiek AAG Jessica Meeks Hydrogeologist, MGS Minutes Prepared By: Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:11 am

Review of Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 - Monthly Meeting -(In-Person/ZOOM)

Motion to accept the minutes from Wednesday, August 9, 2023

MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Ryan Gordon VOTE:

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 - Emergency Meeting

Motion to accept the minutes from Tuesday, August 15, 2023

MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Ryan Gordon VOTE: Unanimous

Exam Applications:

RILEY DELISLE WD02365 - (WD-J), effective date - 7-7-2022

Motion for candidate to sit for exams.

□ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Ryan Gordon VOTE: Unanimous

JAMES WHITNEY WD02351 - (PI-J), effective date - 8-18-2022

Motion for candidate to sit for exams.

☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE:

BRYAN DUNHAM WD02375 - (WD-J, PI-J), effective date - 9-30-2022

Motion for candidate to sit for exams.

☐ MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unanimous

Specialty Well Applications - Commission Reviews 1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval: 1. GAMMON-BOWIE\_SWA

2. INLOW-AFFORDABLE SWA

3. NATALINO-STREETER SWA

4. THOMAS-GOODWIN SWA

5. WISE-SUNCO SWA

#### **OPEN COMPLAINTS:**

BENGAL – GOODWIN WELL & WATER INC – complaint, rcvd 8-22-23 – OPEN (10-11-23) □ 10-11-23, complaint accepted, send NOC &

Motion to accept complaint

☐ MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Mike Otley VOTE:

☐ 10-13-23, sent, Notice of Acceptance, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT - Carrie Bengal

□ 10-13-23, sent, Notice of Complaint, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT - Goodwin W&W Inc

DWP (Tufts) - A-Z WATER SYSTEMS - complaint, rcvd 9-13-22 – OPEN (9-14-22) 5-10-23, Motion to assess violations, points, and

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- 8-9-23, A-Z Water System will be appealing the complaint.

-10-11-23, Pending Fair Hearing; pre-hearing, and hearing

#### \*\*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD - complaint, rcvd 11-09-21 - OPEN\*\*

- 11-10-21, complaint accepted

- 06-14-23, \*Follow-up; Dwight Doughty to contact Carmel Well Drilling.
- 06-14-23, Motion to table complaint until next meeting July 2023

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous

- 7-12-23, Motion to 1) get spring sample, 2) void or deny SWA, 3) send letter: in violation of agreement and violation points will be discussed at next meeting.

o Frank Hegarty/Mike Otley - Unanimous

#### Lab Reports received to date:

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- 9-26-2023. Lab Report, rcvd 9/28/23. Fall 2023. - 10-11-23, Pending completion of water samples of well, one more sample to do Spring 2024.

NEXT MEETINGS\*\* FAIR HEARINGS: HINTON- (1)AFFORDABLE – complaint, rcvd 11-

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f. 10-19-22, Hinton - A-Z, Settlement Proposal received - pending approval

a. 10-11-23, Hinton-A-Z CMPLT - closed,

b. 10-11-23, Hinton-Affordable CMPLT - pending

#### MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 - (In-Person/

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

#### ADJOURNMENT:

TIME: 9:50 am Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unanimous

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Jessica Meeks Hydrogeologist, MGS Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:03 am

Review of Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 - Monthly Meeting

(In-Person/ZOOM)

Motion to accept the minutes.

MOTION: Mike Otley 2nd: Frank Hegarty VOTE: Unanimous

#### Exam Applications:

1. NONE

Specialty Well Applications - Commission Review:

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:

1. JAKACKI-GOODWIN SWA

2. LANNI-GOODWIN SWA

3. MAZZEO-GOODWĪN\_SWA

4. WELLS-GOODWIN SWA

5. TURCOTTE-WEEKS SWA \*(after the fact SWA)

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#### 2. COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Resubmission of Appointment Packets

- a. If you turned one in more than a year ago please recreate a new packet.
- i. Go To: Process | Office of Governor Janet T. Mills (maine.gov)
- 1. "Personal Boards," print and complete paper-

2. Submit completed packet via email to: Melissa A. O'Neal-Low, Director

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- o Alex Pugh / Mike Otley Unanimous
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- 11-07-23, response, BENGAL-GOODWIN CMPLT - Goodwin W&W Inc

Motion to close complaint, Goodwin Well & Water Inc, in compliance with rules and regulations of the Maine Water Well Commission, no violation.

□ MOTION: Frank Hegarty 2nd: Alex Pugh VOTE: Unanimous

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#### HINTON- AFFORDABLE - complaint, rcvd 11-03-21 - OPEN

- 11-10-2021, Complaint accepted
- 11-22-2021, Response, HINTON-AFFORDABLE **CMPLT**
- 01-05-2022, Inspection, Philbrook, HINTON-AFFORDABLE CMPLT
- 01-10-2022, Hegarty Pics, Hinton Property
- 05-05-2022, Violation Ltr, Affordable 05-23-2022, Appeal Response Ltr, Affordable
- 10-16-2023, Pre-hearing conference, recorded

#### MONTHLY MEETING:

Wednesday, December 13, 2023 - (In-Person/

Location: 18 Elkins Lane, Room 109, Harlow Building, Augusta, ME

ADJOURNMENT: TIME: 10:55 am Motion to Adjourn.

☐ MOTION: Alex Pugh 2nd: Ryan Gordon VOTE: Unanimous

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